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DEBT LEGISLATION AFTER EASTER RECESS

Ask Dominion Government Bonus Farm Wages

U.F.A. PRESIDENT SUGGESTS BONUS, WRITES MINISTER

As Government Reluctant to Provide Ceiling, Alternative Policy Is Urged

PROBLEM OUTLINED

Farmers Cannot Compete With Higher Wages Now Obtainable in Industry

Payment by the Dominion of a bonus on farm wages, in view of the Government's reluctance to provide a ceiling, is urged by Robert Gardiner, President of the U.F.A., in a letter to Hon. Humphrey Mitchell, Minister of Labor.

"Our organization, the United Farmers of Alberta, have been advocating for a considerable time the placing of a ceiling upon farm wages," President Gardiner points out. "Representations to this end have been made to the proper authorities but as yet no indication of any action in this direction has been received. We have pointed out that there is a ceiling on the prices of farm products which effectively limits the price which the farmer receives for his products. We have called attention to the steady increase in farm wages together with the steady decrease in the amount of farm labor available.

Attraction of Wages in Industry

"The Armed Services are responsible for taking from the farm a portion of the experienced labor. I think it is safe to say, however, that the attraction of higher wages in industry has probably induced more experienced farm help to leave the farms than for any other one reason. Generally speaking, farmers have attempted to overcome this situation by paying higher wages to farm help, but they have never been in a position to successfully compete with industry for the reason that the prices they have received for their products are not sufficient to permit them to do so."

When Mr. Gardiner wrote, on April 9th, for the last ten days there had been fine spring weather with the snow going rapidly, so much so that some districts adjacent to Calgary were hoping to commence threshing, which has since begun.

"The reports which we receive from farmers, however," stated Mr. Gardiner, "are to the effect that the wages being asked for by farm help are such that farmers just feel it is impossible to pay the wages asked for."

Increase of 100 Per Cent

"From information that we have received the lowest wage asked for by experienced tractor men is \$100.00 per month with board and lodging. A year ago similar labor could be hired for about \$50.00 per month with

Where Armies Met in North Africa



Not only did the junction of forces between the British Eighth Army and U.S. and British based in French North Africa mark a new disaster for Rommel, it also cut 10,000 miles from the Eighth Army supply route. That supply route has been round the Cape of Good Hope. Now much of what the army requires will come in by road from Algerian ports. The above sign by the roadside welcomed Montgomery's troops when they made their historic union with Alexander's First Army at Gafsa.

On balance, British lend-lease to the U.S. is hardly exceeded by the U.S. lend-lease to Britain, says a Canadian writer in London.

Swedish co-operatives are aiding the national effort to become more self-sufficient by making synthetic rubber, chiefly from wood products.

Importing of livestock feeds from Canada and from Australia, for those parts of the U.S. which have feed shortages, is planned at Washington.

A second lumber mill, with a capacity of about 14,000,000 feet of lumber a year, has been bought by Consumers' Co-operative Association, North Kansas City.

board and lodging. This is an increase of one hundred per cent and from further information we have received, many experienced tractor men are asking for much more than \$100.00 per month. It is well to remember also that the price of farm products has not been increased to any appreciable extent in that time.

"Having regard to the evident reluctance of the Government to place a ceiling on farm wages, we suggest as an alternative that the Government consider paying a bonus on farm wages.

"We receive a good deal of information with regard to many important matters relating to Agriculture at this office and such as we have received indicates that unless higher prices are paid for agricultural products or lower production costs are secured, there is bound to be a very substantial reduction in the volume of agricultural products produced.

"We trust that the Government will give sympathetic consideration to these representations."

MINISTER STATES ORDER-IN-COUNCIL COMING SHORTLY

Similar to Saskatchewan Statute to Keep on Land Efficient Food Producers

WHEAT REDUCTION

Acreage Policy Explained by Minister—Results of Policy Since 1941

By M. McDougall
(Special to *The Western Farm Leader*)

OTTAWA, April 14th. — Debt adjustment legislation will be introduced in the Federal Parliament shortly after the Easter recess. It will take the form of an amendment to the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act. As explained by the Minister of Justice, Mr. St. Laurent, this measure enacted by the Dominion Parliament is valid legislation under its jurisdiction over bankruptcy and insolvency. The Debt Adjustment Act of the Province of Alberta was declared *ultra vires* the Provincial Legislature by the Privy Council because it related to bankruptcy and insolvency which comes exclusively within the legislative field of the Dominion Parliament under the constitution.

To Maintain Food Production

In time of war the powers of the Dominion have been widely extended under the War Measures Act. "It is felt," said Mr. St. Laurent in his statement to the Commons, "that as a war measure provision might be made to maintain, for the duration of the war, the production of food-stuffs, and to that end keep on the land in the Western Provinces every farmer that is an efficient food producer."

An order-in-council will be passed "somewhat similar in purpose and effect" to Section 15 of the Saskatchewan statute, "The Limitation of Civil Rights Act". This Provincial statute is designed to give the court the power to grant temporary relief to debtors in actions for the recovery of land in cases of foreclosure, sale, etc. Describing the Provincial statute, Mr. St. Laurent stated that subsection one of section 15 reads: "In an Action, (a) by a mortgagee, or his personal representatives or assigns, for foreclosure of the equity of redemption, or for the sale or possession of the mortgaged premises or for the recovery of any moneys payable under the mortgage: (b) by a vendor of land, or his personal representatives or assigns, for specific performance or cancellation of an agreement for sale of land, or for sale or possession of land sold under agreement of sale."

Court May Stay Action

"The court or judge may, after making such inquiries as are deemed (Continued on page 5)

Urge Co-operatives Be Used When Supplies Are Sent to Redeemed Lands

(Co-op. League News Service)

N. KANSAS CITY, Mo.—Consumer and marketing co-operatives should be used in shipping supplies to countries released from Nazi invaders, urges the committee on International Co-operative Reconstruction, which has mailed a statement to leading universities and to various legations in Washington. The committee, which was set up at the congress of The Co-operative League last fall, consists of H. A. Cowden, president of Consumers Co-operative Association of this city, Dr. James P. Waroasse, and L. E. Woodcock, manager of Eastern Co-operative Wholesale. In support of its proposals, the committee states that the co-operatives carry on business for service, and make no profit; that they are experienced in large-scale operations, and have ample warehouse facilities; and that they represent all kinds of people and exclude none.

An additional million acres of flax this year is being asked by Hon. J. G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture.

Providing for expenditures of nearly \$23,000,000,000, the new British budget places increased taxes on tobacco, beer, whiskey, entertainment and luxury goods. Furs, cosmetics, silk and jewellery are taxed 100 per cent.

MAY DRAFT WOMEN

If appeals for volunteer workers fail to meet the demand, the British Government will draft women to work on the land. This year, 18,000,000 acres will be under cultivation—an increase of fifty per cent over the 1939 acreage.



Central Alberta Dairy Pool Section

EGG and POULTRY SPECIAL



Greatest Demand in History for Eggs and Poultry . . .

By W. A. BROWN, Chief of Poultry Marketing and Production Service for Canada

The poultry industry in Canada during the next twelve months will be faced with the greatest demand for eggs and poultry it has ever known. Consumer purchasing power is on a very high level and owing to restriction in supplies of competitive foods, increasing demand is being directed more and more to products like eggs and poultry. This is the civilian domestic situation.

Demands for Armed Forces Doubled

In addition, the requirements for the armed forces have doubled since the first of the year; there is the export contract with Great Britain to be filled and prospects of requirements for other countries as well. It is expected that next year's requirements for export alone will be at least 100,000,000 dozen. For the next six months the filling of these requirements will depend entirely upon producer response, producer resourcefulness and ability to secure maximum egg production from existing flocks.

Unfortunately production to date has fallen short of what was expected and required. For instance, last fall pretty generally across Canada pullets started well, the early fall lay was good, but for some reason slackened and fell off just when the greatest

demand occurred. Likewise in January of this year the later crop of pullets started well, Special Products Board receipts in the month of January were 51 per cent over last year, but that production was not maintained. True, Canada experienced an unusually severe winter. Canada has always had winters, however, and Canadian efficiency in egg production ought to be such that by now it could triumph over the most severe weather conditions.

Don't Leave to Chance

There is no use, however, in looking backward, unless it be to profit by the experience. There is too much to do ahead. Some are of the opinion that deferred winter lay will result in better summer production. Let's not leave this to chance, but so plan production in each Province and each zone that not only maximum spring production be maintained but that production be carried forward right through the summer months. To do this a critical survey of the condition of the birds and their requirements is indicated.

We Urge Strong Response to Mr. Brown's Appeal . . .

We are sure that everyone who reads the message in the adjoining column by Mr. Brown will be inspired to do all that can be done to increase egg production this season. His letter is a direct appeal to all producers to do their utmost in this important field of production, in order that our own needs and those of Great Britain may be fully supplied. At the same time, while giving particular attention to eggs in this issue, we emphasize again, on this page, the extreme importance also of increased milk production.

We are pleased to announce here that the Special Products Board, Ottawa, which is responsible for the handling of transactions on eggs between our country and Great Britain, has advised us that the prices for eggs in the immediately succeeding months do not need to be reduced further. This announcement will enable you to go ahead and produce with the knowledge that present prices for eggs will be maintained.

Alberta's Objective

Alberta's objective in egg production has been placed at 40,000,000 dozen in 1943. More than double our 1942 export quota is called for, or a total

of some 500,000 cases for export; and as our Provincial Poultry Commissioner, C. W. Traves, points out, the objective can be accomplished by increasing the production of present laying flocks in Alberta by at least four extra eggs per bird per month. At least 90 per cent of the eggs in this Province come from farm flocks, and it is from these that the increased production must come. Balanced rations and efficient feeding and management can make this possible.

And, by the way, the Provincial Poultry Branch has a number of bulletins on poultry production that our members will find very useful. Write the Poultry Branch or the Agricultural Extension Service, Department of Agriculture, Edmonton, if you wish to obtain them, as a means of helping you to fulfill your production program.

More Production for Butter and Evaporated Milk

While this is an Egg and Poultry Special, we would remind all shippers that record demand is being made also this year for milk production, to provide for evaporated milk and also butter to meet wartime needs. Every shipper we are sure will do his or her utmost to meet this demand. For Alberta, an increase of 6 per cent is called for over last year's milk total, or 1,905,000,000 lbs.; for evaporated milk an increase of 5 per cent is called for; while for creamy butter the objective for 1943 is 45,500,000,000 lbs., an increase of 15 per cent.

be done in the poultry industry as well.

It is only by sheer efficiency in maintaining a maximum high uniform rate of lay in all flocks that the poultry industry can achieve and hold the position that has been carved out for it as a part of the war effort.

All industry groups, associations, Government Departments, Colleges, etc., have a definite part to play not only in the planning but in seeing to it that the plans are carried out on every last poultry yard in the Dominion.

LET THERE BE NO MORE IDLE HENS THIS YEAR!

The Canadian Red Cross has sent more than two million parcels to Canadian and British prisoners-of-war.

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First Month's Business on Calgary Yards Gratifying

"More Than Pleased," States President Hugh Allen—How
A.L.C. Has Expanded

H. W. Allen, Chairman of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative, Ltd., reports that the organization is more than pleased with the volume of its first month's business on the Calgary Yards. A.L.C. bought out the business of the Central Commission Company in Calgary and started their own office on March 8th.

Newcomers' Task

Breaking in on the Calgary yards is not the easiest thing in the world, even for a co-operative. In no other stock yards in the West can the commission companies represented show a better record of experienced service and fair dealing with the producer than in Calgary, so a newcomer's task is not easy.

The co-operative idea should and does make an appeal to the farmer, however, that others cannot make, and if a co-operative is efficiently operated it gets his support in most cases.

There is evidence at hand already, in the shape of well satisfied shippers, to show that the Calgary agency of A.L.C. is efficient.

A news item in a Lethbridge paper of recent date tells of a shipment of 24 head of cattle from J. R. Bishop & Sons of Etsikom, sold through A.L.C. in Calgary, which topped the market at 12 cents, and this is only one of many similar instances.

There is every indication that within a reasonable length of time the Calgary office will get as great a proportion of the business in the southern part of the Province as the Edmonton office does in the north.

Figures Reveal Expansion

Here are some interesting figures on the total volume of A.L.C. business from its inception in August, 1941, up to March 31st, 1943, a period of twenty months:

1st ten month period, 3,637 carloads of stock, valued at \$6,210,357.78.

2nd ten month period, 5,363 carloads of stock, valued at \$10,841,885.83.

A.L.C. percentage of total Alberta Hog Kill:

First 5 month period..... 12.6%

Second 5 month period..... 16.1%

Third 5 month period..... 20.1%

Fourth 5 month period..... 27.5%

"Canada" Valuable Handbook

The 1943 edition of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics' official handbook "Canada" is now off the press. Well illustrated, it contains the latest possible statistics; all phases of the country's economic life are dealt with, so far as space allows, and special emphasis is given to aspects of the national life connected with the war effort. The price is 25 cents per copy (stamps are not acceptable), and application should be made to the King's Printer, Ottawa.

With Alberta, and parts of the Peace River Block in B.C. and of the Yukon, in his district, Hugh McAfee, Calgary, has been appointed Services Officer, Truck Control, with the War-time Prices and Trade Board.

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People Provide Bulk of Capital; Private Interest Will Control

While the bulk of the capital required for developing iron ore deposits west of Port Arthur, Ontario, is being advanced by the U.S. Government through the R.F.C., and while the Canadian and Ontario governments are also contributing, controlling interest in the operating company, Steep Rock Iron Mines, Limited, is being placed in the hands of a corporation formed by a Canadian born financier, Cyrus Eaton, of Cleveland.

The Western Farm Leader LEGAL DEPARTMENT

By HON. J. E. BROWNLEE,
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Replies to Enquiries

Any paid-up subscriber may submit a question to be answered in this department.

Alien Under Law

O.N.O.—Any person born in a country outside the British Empire and who has not become naturalized as a Canadian or British subject is regarded as an alien under Canadian law. A person born in Denmark who has not become naturalized is an alien.

Company Can Collect

J.N.S.—The Mortgage Company is entitled to collect its share of wheat acreage bonus, but must give you credit either on account of principal or interest.

Mothers' Allowance Act

E.I.A.—The Mothers' Allowance Act does not fix any property qualification. The qualification is that a widow have in her custody a child or children under the age of fifteen in the case of boys and sixteen in the case of girls, and be unable to properly provide for them. You have the right to make application through your Municipal District, and the Department will then decide whether or not the income from your farm is sufficient to meet the required payments to the vendor and properly care for the children.

Have Right to Examine Cheques

M.O.—Cheques in payment of Old Age Pension are made payable to the recipient, and in the case of persons in any home for aged people, they have a perfect right to see and examine the cheques before endorsing them.

Co-op Progress in Texas

(Co-op. League News Service)

AMARILLO, Texas.—With business nearly 50 per cent greater than in any previous year, members of Consumers' Co-operatives Associated met here recently to make plans for an even greater year. A new warehouse was established at Corpus Christi, and sixteen new co-operative associations were added to the membership, bringing the total to 90 associations. The volume of business totalled \$1,420,601, and net savings for the year amounted to \$59,000.

The Challenge to Agriculture

Spring is here again. The events of this year, 1943, are even now beginning to unfold. On all fronts there is promise that this year will be a truly momentous one in the cause of freedom and liberty, in deciding the kind of living that will prevail for a century at least, and in the history of civilization. Everything points to a year of supreme effort and sacrifice.

Our soldiers, airmen and sailors may be counted upon to give everything they have to bring this great struggle to an early end. On the home front we must not fail them. We too can hasten the day of world peace, the kind of peace we want. We can do that if we too make a supreme effort.

We must produce to the utmost.

We must loan our savings to the utmost.

Production Goals

The Government asks for 1943:

Oats	12%	increase	Barley	12%	increase
Wheat	18%	decrease	Rye	31%	decrease
Flax	67%	increase	Hogs	28%	increase
Cattle	9%	increase	Milk	6%	increase
Butter	14%	increase	Eggs	29%	increase
Poultry	29%	increase	Turkeys	13%	increase

The Government now seems fully aware of the labor shortage and will no doubt do its utmost to provide necessary labor for seed time and harvest.

Victory Loan

On April 26th a new Victory Loan drive will commence. The Government is asking for a huge sum—more than the people of Canada have ever before been asked to loan at one time. It will only succeed if every person makes his highest contribution.

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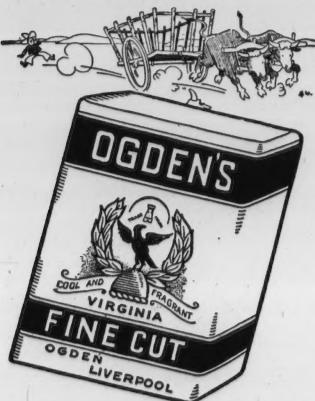
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ON THE MARCH

Figures published elsewhere in this issue reveal the remarkable record of progress of the Alberta Livestock Co-operative. The Co-operative started to do business some twenty months ago. In the first period of ten months it handled 3,637 carloads of stock, valued at \$6,210,357.78; and in the second period of ten months, 5,363 carloads valued at \$10,841,885.83. It is now handling more than 27 per cent of Alberta's total hog kill.

Especially noteworthy at this time is the gratifying volume of business which, as President Allen reports, has been done by the Co-operative during its first month on the Calgary Stockyards. There is every reason to believe that the volume handled at this centre will continue from month to month to show the most substantial increases. In growing numbers the farmers who ship to this centre are coming to realize that they now have the opportunity to sell through an agency owned and controlled by the farm people themselves, with the certainty that all returns after meeting overhead and providing for necessary reserves will accrue to them.

The results which have been obtained by the A.L.C., and the steady growth of farmer-owned enterprises working in other fields of marketing and purchasing, afford clear indication that Co-operation is on the march in Alberta.

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If the farm people themselves will that it shall be so, they can bring about, through their own action from day to day as sellers and buyers, a transformation of the economic picture in Western Canada of major significance.

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"BACK THE ATTACK"

Before our next issue comes into the hands of our readers, the Victory Loan campaign, to be launched in Calgary on April 26th by Hon. J. L. Ilsley, will be well under way. It should have the whole-hearted support of every Canadian; for its success will have an important bearing upon our efficiency in production for the purposes of the war during this crucial year.

In the United States the war bonds campaign opened a few days ago. The objective is \$13,000,000,000, and already, it is reported, the response of the citizens of that great neighboring country has been "tremendous". There is every indication that the goal is likely to be passed by a substantial margin. Whatever division of opinion there may be in the Republic upon domestic issues, the war policy of the Government commands enthusiasm and in support of it the ranks of the people are united.

An American commentator confessed the other day that when he started to write an article "on the great defeat being piled up against the Axis in Tunisia", somehow or other the discussion of military tactics and strategy "got mixed up with the Victory Loan drive, because troops in Tunisia are being rushed to victory on the backs of war bonds."

The use of that figure of speech was warranted, because, while production is of course fundamentally a matter of materials and tools and labor and skill, the efficient employment of all these is dependent today upon financial measures—taxation and loans. These methods have been adopted by every one of the belligerent countries, including the Soviet Union. They will be used by every warring state so long as the war lasts. There are no alternatives, economically and politically practicable in the months ahead.

Victory Loan

Still once again we hear the urgent plea
To keep our forces with war's needs supplied.
Surely where man is still secure and free
This prayer is one that will not be denied.
Until the foe casts tools of death aside
Our gallant men must know no weapon's lack,
So let it be our duty and our pride
To prove our faith by "backing the attack".

"Back the attack!" Dare one of us do less
Than pause before each penny that we spend
And idle wants and impulses repress,
As more and more we strive to save and lend?
To lend! We are not even asked to give
While men lay down the lives they fain would live.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON.

Whatever his own personal views may be upon matters of economic theory, the citizen, if he wishes to make his contribution to the winning of the war effective now, must use the means to hand. That has been emphasized by members of Governments in every Province of Canada.

We have no doubt that the over-subscription of the new \$1,100,000,000 Victory Loan (which can be assured if every citizen contributes according to his ability), would give a most powerful impetus to the drive of our forces toward victory. Every citizen knows his own circumstances, and is the judge of his own capacity to contribute. Every Canadian can be confident that the contribution he can make by way of subscription to the loan will in fact be "backing the attack" of our forces overseas.

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Canada spent \$446,000,000 in the fourth year of the first world war. In the fourth year of the second world war the Dominion will spend \$4,890,000,000.

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EUROPE AND THE PACIFIC

(New York Nation)

It is easy to sympathise with the men (in the South Pacific) who have accomplished so much with such limited means, in their desire for more and better tools to exploit their victories. But their cause has not been helped by the newspapers of the Hearst-McCormick axis, which have insisted on making this a political issue. The policy of beating Hitler first has been definitely agreed on between us and our allies, and there is no doubt that it is the correct one. Germany is basically immensely stronger than Japan, but it has become vulnerable to an early concerted attack through its exhausting attempts to conquer Russia. On the other hand, it is capable of rapid recuperation if the pressure is relaxed and Hitler is given an opportunity to organize the territories he has conquered. Even now we cannot match Germany in armed man-power, but we can overwhelm it with equipment, and particularly planes, provided we resist the temptation to disperse our striking power.

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"As to the positive aims of the war, to fight best the soldier must fight for something better than the *status quo*. . . . The hopes from victory are not only a world free from the menace of aggression, but one of economic as well as political democracy."

—Rod Young, in *News*, Toronto.

FARM FOR VICTORY PROGRAM IS BEING WIDELY ORGANIZED

To Give Information on Wartime
Production, Labor Supplies,
Labor Saving Devices

By E. W. BRUNSDEN, Secretary,
Alberta Federation of Agriculture

Organization of Zone Committees, and the planning in these of community groupings in support of the Provincial "Farm for Victory Program" is now under way. First Zone Committee to meet was that for the Lethbridge area, April 10th, followed by Nanton, April 12th, Pincher Creek, 14th, Cardston, April 15th, and Calgary will be today (April 16th). It is expected meetings in the northern zones will get under way early in the week commencing April 19th.

District agriculturists, who have the responsibility of convening the meetings and assisting the zone members in the creating of the Community Committees, report substantial interest in the plan. In all there are 27 zones, and it is expected a minimum of 10 and a maximum of 20 local committees will be formed in each.

Objective of Program

The objective is to bring before all farmers, through the officers of the local units, all available information respecting wartime production, labor supplies available, and labor saving devices. It is anticipated, too, these committees will give leadership in the inaugurating of co-operative undertakings designed to save labor and secure the maximum use of existing farm machinery. The committees will act as focal agencies through which the district agriculturists may work, more efficiently than heretofore, in the making available to farmers of the information in their possession, relating to improved cultural and other field practices.

The Farm for Victory Program has been instituted by a committee representative of the Provincial Department of Agriculture and the farmers' organisations. It originated at a session of the Consultative Committee on Agricultural Services, following the preparation by a sub-committee of a recommendation outlining the procedure which might be followed in establishing a program desired in each Province by the Federal agricultural authorities.

The Alberta organisation differs from that in Saskatchewan in that in the latter Province municipal government units have been recognised as the basis of a Win the War Committee structure, but the purpose in Saskatchewan is identical with that in Alberta.

Extended Field of Usefulness

Those responsible for the task in this Province visualize the ultimate establishing of several hundred committees, through which the farmers in all of the regions of the Province may be reached on matters concerning their wartime production. It is stated a number of questions have already been raised by the zone committees relating to the 1943 requirements of farm commodities, and committee members have asked for considerable information concerning some of these. This is exactly the purpose it was hoped would be served, Provincial committee members report, and it is already becoming apparent the Farm for Victory plan will be of substantial value.

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The line against inflation in the U.S. is being held with somewhat greater success than in the last war, states the Office of War Information in Washington. Between August, 1939, and October 1942, the cost of living rose 20.7 per cent as compared with a rise of 32.2 per cent for a comparable period in the last war.

Estimate 1,400,000 Acres Still Unthreshed

Officials of the Alberta Department of Agriculture have estimated that about 1,400,000 acres of crop in the Province remain to be threshed. The scattered districts chiefly affected lie within a triangle of which a line drawn from Calgary to Edmonton is the base and Lloydminster the apex; but of course only a substantial fraction of this area is actually unthreshed. The Dominion Unemployment Commission headed by W. Harry Ross in Calgary finds orders for farm help overwhelmingly greater than can be filled, but they are giving what help they can to the Farm for Victory organization.

Asks Townspeople's Help in Threshing Crop Now in Fields

U.F.A. President Appeals to Busi- nessmen and Others Through Boards of Trade

Appeal through all Boards of Trade in Alberta, to the businessmen and residents of towns and villages, asking their assistance in completing threshing operations, has been made by Robert Gardiner, President of the U.F.A.

Mr. Gardiner calls attention to the serious position in which many farmers are placed owing to the large quantity of unthreshed grain. He points out that assistance was freely given by the people of towns and villages last fall, and was deeply appreciated. It had been hoped, he states, that the Dominion Government would be in a position to provide sufficient labor to take care of the threshing, but unfortunately, up to the present, it does not seem likely that they will be able to do so.

"It is very important," states Mr. Gardiner, "that we seed every acre possible to feed grains in order to provide large quantities of meat and dairy products."

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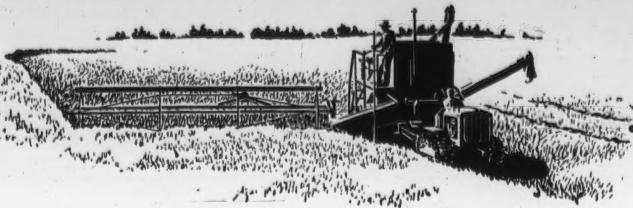
necessary concerning the income and assets of the parties and all other matters which may appear relevant, grant or refuse to grant any order, stay the action, postpone payment of any moneys due, prescribe terms and conditions to which any order may be subject, vary or extend any order from time to time, and give any direction as to costs; and in disposing of any application the court or judge shall have and exercise discretion in each case and shall act upon its or his own view of the proper order to be made having regard to all the facts and notwithstanding any order or ruling heretofore made at any time or in any other action."

As this Saskatchewan measure was quoted to this extent by the Minister, and as he stated the action to be taken by the Federal Government would be "somewhat similar in purpose and effect", the general nature of the approaching order-in-council may be pretty accurately gauged. An inquiry at the Justice Department has brought the statement that nothing further by way of explanation has been given by the Minister and that the answer to questions that might naturally arise will be found in the order-in-council itself, which will not be long delayed.

Belgian Sale - Harbinger of Victory?

The Wheat Board has sold 200,000 tons or 7,000,000 bushels of wheat to the Belgian Government to be taken when part or the whole of Belgium has been liberated. Negotiations for the sale were begun last July and completed in December. The price is 90 cents a bushel, basis Fort William, with the purchasers

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paying four-fifths of a cent per bushel per month carrying charges from December on. We may hope that the sale is like the bird returning to the ark with a leaf in its bill—a harbinger of victory.

Speaking on the importance of oil bearing seeds, in the Commons, Mr. MacKinnon, Minister of Trade and Commerce, has stated that the fixed price of soybeans will continue through the 1943-44 season at \$1.95 per bushel, basis Number 2 yellow, delivered at Toronto. The Minister urged greater production of sunflower seed and rape seed, the former a fine edible oil, with by-products providing good stock feed of high protein content. Rape seed is a valuable marine engine lubricant, and is as well an edible oil with by-products valuable as feed. The Wheat Board will pay 5 cents per pound for sunflower seed and 6 cents for rape seed "in reasonably clean condition, moisture content not exceeding limits to be determined". Arrangements are being made for as wide a distribution as possible of available seed supplies. Flax seed price will be continued at \$2.25 at Fort William.

Explains Acreage Reduction Payments

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Gardiner, explaining the bill shortly to be introduced which will amend the Wheat Acreage Reduction Act of 1942, said that payments on reductions in acreage in wheat are simplified. "We are simply stating," said the Minister, "that we are going to pay \$2 an acre on all acreage that has been reduced as between 1940 and 1943. To illustrate, if a man had 100 acres in wheat in 1940 and he has 50 acres in 1943 he would be entitled to a payment of \$2 an acre on the reduced acreage. We are not asking him to sow either coarse grains or rye or grass or to summer fallow or do anything in particular with it, but if he abandons the land he will not be paid. In other words, he can sow it to any crop he chooses other than wheat, or he can summer fallow it. In that case he will be paid \$2 an acre for the number of acres by which he reduces his acreage in 1943 as compared with

1940." Another point on which the bill is amended is to make possible payments on rye which was seeded in 1941 and payments on grass seeded prior to 1942, on which the previous bill was not definitive.

Results of Policy

The policy of wheat acreage reduction inaugurated in 1941 resulted in a decrease in wheat acreage of something over 10,000,000 acres. For the year 1941 a total of \$34,557,200 was paid; of this Alberta received \$10,324,134, Saskatchewan \$19,824,841 and Manitoba \$4,408,225. The number of farmers paid was 178,014. In 1942, Mr. Gardiner explained, a bill replaced the regulations of the previous year, and emphasis was laid on the seeding of feed grains and oil producing plants. There was a further reduction in wheat acreage of about 1,000,000 acres, and as everyone knows the feed grains crops were good. Mr. Gardiner mentioned that the coarse grain acreage increase in 1941 was 3,621,014 acres, the grass increase 347,136 acres and summer fallow 6,206,913 acres.



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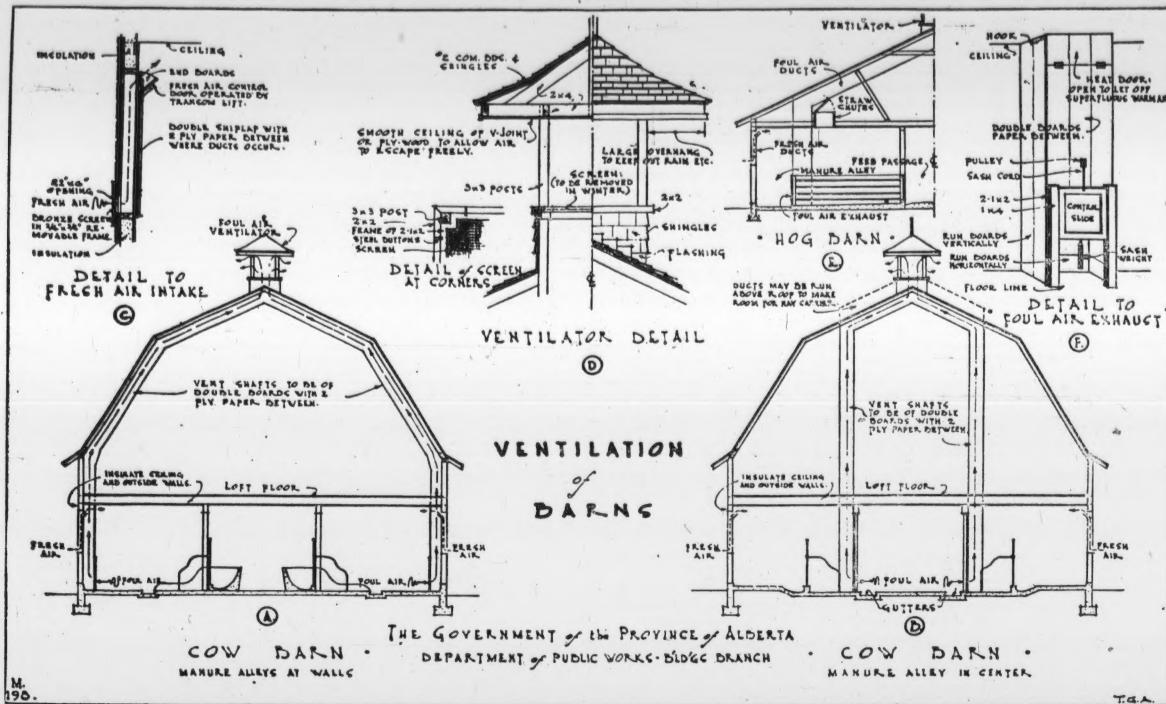


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Exceptional interest has been shown by farmers in the Province in the system of ventilation of barns which has been worked out by the Department of Public Works, under the direction of Mr. W. Stacey, for use at Alberta Government institutions. We print below a description of the plan adopted, in the belief that the information will prove useful to many of our readers, who from time to time, when conditions warrant and material is available, may have the opportunity to adapt to their own limited circumstances the principles which have been applied in working out an efficient ventilating system for these government institutions. We appreciate the courtesy which has been extended to us in permitting publication of this information.

In the past few years a great deal has been done to improve the health of cattle and hogs at the farms of the Provincial Government Institutions by the improving and installing of Ventilation in the barns.

The health of the animals has been quite noticeably improved and the loss through sickness, especially of hogs, has been a great deal less since the installation of proper ventilation.

Drop in Livestock Losses

In 1937 the Buildings Branch, Department of Public Works, began installing in the barns at the various Institutions, a system of Ventilation which has proved a decided success. After each installation, effects were observed and very often it was found that certain parts could be altered to produce better results. When a new installation was made, these new improvements were added. The Ventilating system as it is today is decidedly effective and the loss of cattle and hogs has dropped considerably. In addition to this, the life of the barns has been increased, as the wood is not soaked with moisture, as it usually is in a barn with poor Ventilation.

The same system of Ventilation, which is based on the "King System", has been installed in horse stables, cattle barns, hog barns, chicken houses and also root cellars. The foul air is drawn off by one or more ducts and fresh air drawn in from a number of small ducts on the outside walls. The foul air is heavy and falls to the floor, therefore, the foul air exhaust, as shown in figure "F" has its opening at the floor level. The foul air as well as the moist air is drawn up the vent shaft and out through the ventilator on the roof.

A heat door is provided at the ceiling to remove superfluous warm air in the Summer and a control

slide, balanced with a sash weight, regulates the amount of air removed from the barn. The foul air ducts throughout their length are made of double boards with paper between to keep them air-tight, and warm. In small barns one of these ducts is sufficient but when they have to be more than three or four feet square and become awkward, it is better to use more than one. To arrive at the size of the foul air ducts in cattle barns, we use a table prepared at MacDonald College, McGill University. The size of the flue varies with its height and the number of animals housed.

To Determine Size of Flue

The table is given below. Each mature cow is taken to be an animal unit (A.U.) while young cattle and

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Height in feet from floor to ridge of roof..	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
No. of Cows or A.U. in Barn:	(Floor area needed, Sq. In.)						
10	430	362	318	287	264	246	230
11	474	396	350	316	291	270	253
12	518	435	382	345	317	294	276
13	560	468	414	373	343	320	300
14	604	507	445	403	370	344	323
15	646	540	477	430	396	369	346
16	680	580	510	460	424	394	369
17	731	613	541	488	450	418	392
18	776	654	573	518	476	443	416
19	818	685	605	545	502	467	438
20	864	726	637	575	529	492	461
21	905	756	668	603	555	517	474
22	954	800	698	630	579	545	511
23	990	829	732	660	608	568	530
24	1039	870	766	699	639	587	554
25	1078	900	796	718	660	615	575
26	1122	945	826	749	698	639	604
27	1160	974	860	775	714	665	621
28	1210	1020	894	810	740	689	647
29	1250	1042	922	832	768	714	668
30	1292	1090	961	860	792	741	690

For Average Size Hog Barn

For the average size hog barn, with about ten pens, we usually use two flues each, 20 ins. to 24 ins. square, placed near the manure alleys so that the odor does not travel over the feeding troughs. Figure "A" in the drawing shows a cattle barn with ducts on the outside walls when the manure alleys are near the outside walls; Figure "B" shows position of ducts when manure alley is in the centre of the barn. Figure "E" shows a hog barn with foul air at the manure alleys. Ducts on the outside walls are generally not as good as those near the centre, but if care is taken to insulate them they will work satisfactory.

The Ventilator on the roof shown in Figure "D" should be open on all sides, each opening at least the size of the duct. When two ducts lead to one Ventilator, the size of each opening should be equal to the total

In cattle barns, the animals create enough warmth to keep the barn warm and to set up a proper circulation of air. In hog barns, it is necessary to use a heater in the winter months for best results.

In order that the Ventilating system may work to its best advantage, it must be operated properly. Doors and windows of the barn should be kept closed as much as possible and the fresh air intakes opened wide, unless it is very cold and there are fewer animals than usual in the barn, or in the case of an extremely strong wind when the fresh air intakes should be closed down a little on the windward side. The foul air ducts should be left wide open, except when a high wind causes too strong a pull, or when it is extremely cold.

We are advised that the Department of Agriculture, Extension Branch, Parliament Buildings, Edmonton, will be glad to give any additional information that our readers may wish to ask.

Gigantic Co-operative Merger in Britain Is Being Considered Now

Plans for a merger which if consummated will lead to the formation of the most powerful co-operative producing and distributing organization in the world based upon purely voluntary membership, are now being considered by the C.W.S. (Co-operative Wholesale Society of England and Wales), and the Scottish Co-operative Wholesale Society. The combined capital resources would total £150,000,000 (\$660,000,000); the combined annual turnover is about £175,000,000. The societies, taken together, would be one of the world's largest food merchandising enterprises. They are today the British Empire's largest buyers of Canadian and Australian wheat and New Zealand mutton. They are of course surpassed as food merchants by the British Food Ministry and the Russian Centrosoyuz. The Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company and its Canadian subsidiary also have a larger turnover—\$1,378,147,240—in the fiscal year ended February 28th, 1942.

CJCJ Echoes from Friendly Voice of the Foothills

"Spring Cleaning" has started at the CJCJ studios and the first sweep of the broom has brushed out many old programs and replaced them with new. So when you're listing your program favorites just remember that you'll do well to check the CJCJ schedule and find out what's available in the types of music you most enjoy. The broadcast hours will remain the same throughout the spring and summer months, with the first minutes of music coming at 7:00 a.m. and the final facts at 11:15 p.m. in the evening.

Among the new programs "Scoop" Turner is now established on his own. For years a handy man with Don MacKay on the various CJCJ "informals", Scoop has now taken over his own quarter-hour and presents songs for the youngsters of every home. You'll be able to swing in on this pleasant quarter hour by dialing in at 5:45 every evening. It's a program primarily designed to fill a long needed want of a quarter hour where the kiddies can find music of the type they really enjoy. "KID-DIES KAPERS" is the program's name.

"Mornin' on the Farm" is the title of the opening 45 minute program over CJCJ each day. It's the type of music that counts with the morning listener, so the Program Department has arranged a grouping of the old western favorites, blended in with early morning marches and novelties to cater to the early risers. If in doubt about the time remember that it's a standard ruling at CJCJ that the "Time" must be given after every recording on the early morning programs.

Canada's 1943 "Victory Loan" Campaign will be featured on every program schedule and in every newspaper in Canada during the next few weeks. Among the leading CJCJ features dedicated to bring the importance of this campaign to the people of Alberta is the "Victory Loan Program" to be heard every Friday evening at 9:30. Canada will be well posted on the all-out importance of this new loan, dedicated to the successful prosecution of Canada's part in the present war, and CJCJ program schedules will feature several occasions for comments on the progress of the Loan; but the hi-light will come on Friday evenings at 9:30 p.m.

At 12:30 MDT each Sunday a series of broadcasts are being given on the co-operative movement under the auspices of the Toronto Religious Hour. They are being carried by CBK and other stations.

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Plan now to buy the bonds of Canada's 4th Victory Loan. Ask every member of your family to buy . . . and to buy more than they ever bought before. What you do now will hasten the final Victory . . . and will provide you with savings that will yield a good harvest in the days to come.

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Dear Farm Women:

Do you not think that possibly we are the better able to play our part, whatever it may be, if we have a full realization of its importance? And do you not also think that often we as women, as farm women especially in our homes with possibly very few contacts with other people other than our limited circle, feel our work is comparatively unimportant?

Of course there are always some few who have rather an exalted opinion of their importance, and I think one of the maddening things about such

people is that rather satisfied air they carry. But while that air and that feeling may be a bit irritating to others, does it not frequently make the people who possess it more pleased with life generally, more willing to attempt new things and do all with greater ease?

But there do come times when we have the satisfaction of the realization of how much we are needed. Because probably one of the most depressing things in life is to have a feeling that one is not needed. This seems to be one of the times when there is a more general realization of the important part women play in our whole national life.

One Important Instance

Shall we note one instance, and that one is the feeding of the family? It is being impressed on us from all quarters that the right kind of food properly prepared makes for much greater difference than ever before was realized. We are becoming vitamin-conscious, a thing of which we used to be absolutely oblivious. We had the naked facts shown to us that many, many of our Canadian soldiers who presented themselves for service were not physically fit. Also it was noted that they did not always come from homes which lacked the financial ability to supply the necessary food. It was evidently lack of knowledge as to how to secure best value.

There is no doubt we are on the threshold of great changes in many customs of our life and probably one of them will be changes in our meals. As I said, we are becoming vitamin-conscious, instead of blissfully ignorant. Fortunately, Nature was kind and wrapped many of our foods in a variety of colorings and shapes and thus led us to have some we might otherwise have missed. Now, some of the lowly are being exalted. Look at the importance being given the carrot for instance. In the old days it had its place but not particularly exalted one. We were more apt to think something that came across a counter much more worth while for company dinner or the lunch pail at school.

Also, we, as Mothers, were sometimes prone to think that as soon as the children went to school, the part we played in their lives was relatively small. But the matter of the food for the growing child was not the responsibility of the teacher, who usually knew little about what each home supplied. It is being stressed now more than ever that the food supplied, not only to the growing child but to adults as well, plays a greater part in keeping them physically fit than we realized. So ours is indeed an important work, for a healthy body is the basis on which to build.

Doing What Was "Men's Work"

In other fields the help the women give is being stressed as it seldom is. In the more war-torn countries they have attempted work they never dreamed of doing, or if they dreamed of it the field was not open. In our own country we find girls and women taking over many a task that in normal times would be considered the prerogative of the men. And many and many a farm woman is giving of her time to working with the men, or at their work.

There is no doubt but that from this ghastly war some good results will follow, some gains be made if we but give attention. One of them will be a greater equality of opportunity for men and women, for boys and girls, and we hope a greater realization

Farm Home and Garden

Whitewash: Make a paste of one sack of hydrated lime and 7 gallons of water. Dissolve 6 pounds of salt in 3 gallons of boiling water, combining with first mixture when cold; then add 3 pounds of Portland cement. The lime and water paste should be let stand a few days before using. One gallon of whitewash will cover about 225 sq. feet of wood surface.

Vegetable Pie: Place in casserole 1 cup each diced cooked carrots, turnips, and canned peas or string beans; cover with well seasoned white sauce in which has been mixed 1/4 cup grated cheese; top with mashed potato crust. Bake in hot oven until crust is browned.

Spoon Bread: Mix 2 cups cornmeal, 1/2 teaspoon salt, 1 tablespoon shortening, with enough warm water to make a smooth paste. Add 1 beaten egg and 1 cup buttermilk, and 1/2 teaspoon soda, beating until smooth. Pour into greased pan and bake quickly in hot oven. Serve hot.

Fudge Sauce: For plain pudding. Boil 1-1/2 cups water with half cup sugar for five minutes. Mix 1/3 cup coco with 1-1/2 tablespoons cornstarch and 1/2 cup cold water. Combine mixtures, adding pinch of salt, and boil 3 minutes. Flavor with 1/2 teaspoon vanilla. Serve hot or cold.

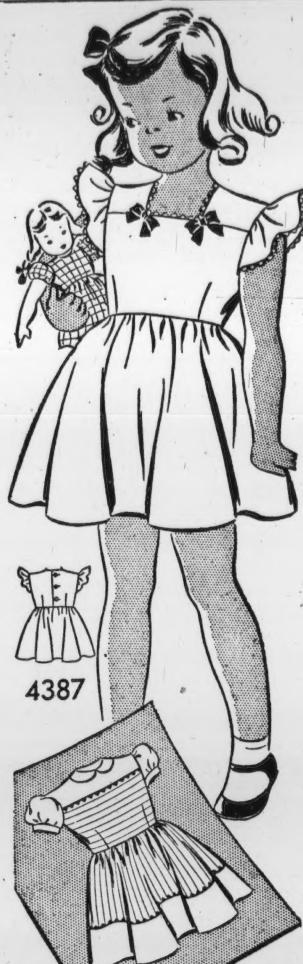
Damage from Soil Drifting: in the garden can be prevented by a covering of clean sweet clover hay. The hay is more easily removed after danger of drifting is over than is straw or manure, and as it is not so compact it allows more heat to penetrate to the soil.

zation of the corresponding responsibility.

While the woman in the kitchen preparing the meals takes on even a more important position in life, it must be remembered there are some women who are not particularly keen on that work and will make a greater contribution to the world's welfare if they could have their ability used elsewhere. Surely that opportunity for development for all to be of service will come.

Yours sincerely,
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Activities of Farm Women's Locals

Plans for a social evening, in aid of the Red Cross, were made at a recent meeting of West Vale U.F.W.A. (Peace River).

The convener's report on "Canada's War Effort" was read at the last meeting of Seafield U.F.W.A. (Ponoka), followed by the bulletin.

Reading of the bulletin and of a paper on child psychology made up the program for the last meeting of Roosevelt U.F.W.A., in the Woolford district.

Horn Hill U.F.W.A. (Penhold) are planning a social to raise funds for different projects, one being the sending of a delegate to Farm Young People's Week, writes Mrs. Ronald Pye.

Aided by friends, Pollockville U.F.W.A. are doing a great deal of Red Cross work. At the April meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Jack Rooke, no fewer than 48 completed articles



OUR JUNIOR CONFERENCE

Dear Juniors:

Just a little note to follow up the notice regarding Farm Young People's Week which appeared in the last issue of this paper. We want to remind you that the annual convention of the Junior U.F.A. will be held during that Week, probably on June 7th.

At this convention election of officers takes place. If you have any matters you would like discussed at this meeting, send them along to Central Office before the Convention if possible, but if you cannot do that your delegate may present same in Edmonton. Our Juniors have com-

were turned in. The Local are also working on a quilt to be raffled in aid of their Soldiers' Fund.

Energetic U.F.W.A. (Milk River) at their last meeting voted to send \$13-fifty cents per member—to the Prisoners of War fund. Plans were made for an Easter Monday party.

Members of Roseleaf U.F.W.A., in the Blackfalds district, are busy with various branches of war work, writes Mrs. E. Pickering, secretary. At their last meeting an afghan for the Red Cross was completed.

In addition to raising \$32.51 for the Red Cross, Browning U.F.W.A. are raffling a box of groceries in aid of the Prisoners of War fund, and donated a box of clothing and a woollen quilt for Russian Relief, writes Mrs. W. C. McPeak.

From the sale of lunch at an auction sale, Starline U.F.W.A. (Claremont) realized \$67.70, which will be used to buy materials for Red Cross and similar work, writes Mrs. Marvin Mosley. At the last meeting the bulletin was read and discussed with enjoyment.

Four boxes containing 206 articles of clothing and five quilts were sent to the Aid to Russia Fund by Westlock U.F.W.A., writes Mrs. B. C. Alton. In co-operation with the U.F.A., \$53.10 was raised for the Red Cross, and the women made and donated 18 articles.

No less than \$223 has been raised for the Red Cross by Conrich U.F.W.A. The members have done a good deal of sewing and knitting also and send parcels to local boys in the forces, writes Mrs. Ralph Cary, secretary. Supplying of lunch at a sale and giving a shower for a bride of the district are other activities recently undertaken by these women.

STAUFFER-HURSHFIELD WEDDING

Of interest to many Alberta farm people was the wedding which took place in Calgary on April 8th of Miss Ruth Hurshfield, of Hanna, and Mr. Sherman Stauffer, of Olds. Following the ceremony, performed by Rev. J. H. Garden, the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Sutherland, entertained about forty guests at a reception and dinner at the Hotel York. A toast to the young couple was proposed by Mr. Garden, and others who offered felicitations in brief speeches were Robert Gardiner, W. Norman Smith and Geo. E. Church. The bridegroom is a son of the late Jos. Stauffer, who was U.F.A. Director for Red Deer in 1918 and 1919.

SUGAR FOR RHUBARB

One pound of sugar for each person can be secured for use with rhubarb, on Spare C Coupon No. 1. The coupon is good from April 1st to May 31st.

plete charge of this day and we hope our Locals will realize its importance.

Try to get your delegates to take part in the various contests. It is good experience and valuable assistance is received from the judges' comments, etc. The cash prizes awarded are worth trying for too.

The Scholarships

Another important phase of Farm Young People's Week is the awarding of scholarships of \$75.00 each to the School of Agriculture to the boy and girl making the highest marks on an examination of the Week and the reading course. This is a wonderful start for two young people and should not be overlooked.

The new program for 1943-44 will be ready for distribution at Farm Young People's Week. If you have any suggestions to offer send them to Central Office as soon as possible. We will be glad to have them.

Looking forward to meeting many of you in Edmonton in June,

Yours sincerely,
EILEEN BIRCH,
Secretary.

Clairmont U.F.A. Juniors recently arranged a concert, box social and dance to raise money for the Aid to Russia Fund.

Violet Jensen was elected to represent Beddington Junior U.F.A. at Farm Young People's Week in Edmonton, at the last meeting. Recently, a party was given in the Hall for a former member, recently married, when the young couple were presented with a bedspread.

Demand for Bulbs Breaks All Records

Demand for the gladiolus bulbs which are offered free with every new or renewal subscription to The Western Farm Leader has this season broken all records. The demand has been especially heavy from readers who have obtained bulbs from this paper in former years, and have grown them in their gardens. As the supply is limited, we would urge all who wish to obtain the eighteen bulbs which are offered by The Leader to write for them at once. The subscription is \$1 a year, \$1.50 for two years, \$2 for three years. Renewals will count, of course, from the date of the expiration of your old subscription, whether it falls due now or later in the year. It is recommended that the bulb of the gladiolus should be planted before May 10th, to obtain the best results.

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First prize in the children's beef calf competitions at the Edmonton spring shows was won by Dorothy Kallal, Tofield; champion calf of the fat stock show by Roy Ballhorn, Wetaskiwin; boys' livestock judging champions were three Wetaskiwin brothers, David, Bert and Allen Shantz.

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Record Broken Calgary Bull Sales With Average of \$414 for All Classes

Average price of bulls sold at the Calgary sales this year was \$414, constituting a record for all time, the highest previous average price having been \$297 in 1928.

Average price of Herefords was \$475.69, as compared with \$299.23 in 1942; of Shorthorns \$324.94, as compared with \$192.17, of Aberdeen Angus \$310.00 as compared with \$184.35.

Total value of all livestock sold through the ring at the sales, from March 29th to April 2nd was \$281,471.13. There were no records broken in number of entries.

Need for Testing

Total laboratory facilities in the West are not adequate to handle all seed grain which should be tested this year, states Dr. K. W. Neatby, of the Agricultural Department, North-West Line Elevators Association; as a result of weather conditions last fall, much grain is germinating badly. This is said to be especially true of oats. Farmers who have not already had their seed grain tested, should make their own tests, suggests Dr. Neatby, who adds that seed germinating 85 per cent or over is O.K.; from 65 to 85 per cent, rate of seeding should be increased; seed testing less than 65 per cent should be replaced.

COARSE GRAINS PRICES

A plan whereby growers will receive the ceiling price for coarse grains sold on the domestic market and the export price for any coarse grain sold on the export market, has been announced in Ottawa.

Clydesdale championship, in the Calgary Horse Show, was won by Harry Lusk, Aldersyde; Belgian grand championship to Carl Olsen, Drumheller.

Canada must meet her unemployment problem, after the war, by "an enlightened capitalistic democracy," declared John Bracken, Progressive-Conservative leader, last week, in a speech endorsing the Victory Loan campaign.

The Wheat Situation

By LEONARD D. NESBITT,
Superintendent of Publicity,
Alberta Wheat Pool

Total deliveries of wheat in Western Canada on August 1st, 1942, to April 9th, 1943, were 176,645,944. By Provinces, deliveries were as follows: Manitoba 21,780,336 Saskatchewan 98,789,657 Alberta 56,075,951

176,645,944

The wheat marketing quota for the crop year is 280 million bushels. Consequently, there remains a balance of around 103-1/2 million bushels to be delivered by Western farmers in order to fill the quota. Deliveries at the present time are difficult in view of the congestion in country elevators and the scarcity of grain cars.

Wheat in store in country elevators in Western Canada April 9th totalled over 223 million. Total Canadian wheat in visible supply on April 9th was 423,064,544. This is a decline of nearly 7 million bushels from the figures a week earlier and is nearly 23 million bushels less than the visible supply of wheat on the same date of the previous year.

Optimistic Features

There have been optimistic features of the wheat situation which have increased prices on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange. In the first place, United States wheat prices bolstered through United States government Wheat Loan Plan away above Canadian prices. Then there is a feeling that feeding of wheat to livestock will gradually increase in North America, thus consuming a substantial proportion of the surplus. The inflationary scare is also inducing speculators to purchase commodities and a considerable number have been buying wheat.

More spring-like weather has been experienced in Western Canada and farmers anticipate getting on the land in another week or so. There is ample moisture for germination over most of Western Canada.

Water projects in Alberta have been financed by the Federal Government to the extent of \$560,144.

Wm. Moodie, De Winton, is president of the Alberta Horse Breeders' Association, and L. Chambers, Airdrie, and Hardy E. Salter, Calgary, are vice-presidents.

Dividends Paid

Substantial dividend payments had been made to patrons, it was reported at the annual meeting of the Alberta Egg and Poultry Producers' Association, in Calgary recently. Harry Hayes, Calgary, was re-elected president. Vice-presidents are Archie Clark, Edmonton, and R. A. Bell, Swalwell; directors are N. C. Dahl, Standard; R. B. Manuel, Innisfail; Mrs. R. Pye, Penhold; J. W. Hosford, Edmonton; W. Williamson, Nobleford. It was decided to ask for a three-cent bonus on eggs delivered to drying plants.

Livestock Market Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, April 14th.—The cattle market has been slow and a little weaker. Good to choice butcher steers are \$11 to \$11.75, common to medium \$9.50 to \$10.50; good to choice butcher heifers \$10.50 to \$11.25, common to medium \$9 to \$10; good cows \$8.75 to \$9.25, common to medium \$7.25 to \$8.50; canners and cutters \$5 to \$6.50; good bulls \$8.75 to \$9.50, common to medium \$7.50 to \$8.50; good to choice veal calves \$12 to \$13, common to medium \$10 to \$11 with good stocker and feeder steers \$10 to \$10.75, common to medium \$8.50 to \$9.50. Hogs are \$15.60 to \$15.80. B1's at yards and plants, sows \$10.75 liveweight at yards, \$13.60 to \$13.80 dressed at yards. Good lambs are \$13 to \$13.50.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, April 14th.—Trading has been active under light receipts with prices holding steady. Good to choice fed calves are \$11.50 to \$12; good to choice steers \$11.50 to \$12, common to medium \$9.50 to \$11.25; good to choice light heifers \$11 to \$11.50, common to medium \$8.50 to \$10.75; good to choice light cows \$9.25 to \$9.75, heavy \$8.25 to \$9.25, common to medium \$7 to \$8.25; canners and cutters \$4.50 to \$7 with bulls \$7.50 to \$9.50. Stocker and feeder steers are \$10 to \$11, heifers \$9.50 down and cows \$8 down. Good to choice handysize veal calves are \$12 to \$13, heavy and common kinds down to \$8.50. Basic price for hog shipment is \$16.10, locals \$15.60, sows liveweight \$10.75 to \$11; feeders \$11.50 to \$12.50; plants basic \$15.60 to \$15.70; sows dressed \$2 per cwt. below basic. Good lambs are \$12.50 to \$13.50 with sheep \$8.50 down.

The Dairy Market

Local prices remain unchanged at a maximum of 35 cents for first grade prints and 33 cents plus 10 cents subsidy for butterfat. The stock for all Canada on April 1st, 1943, was 9,877,682 pounds as compared with 11,038,672 pounds on the same date last year. For the week ending April 3rd, the Provincial production of butterfat was 460,931 pounds as compared with 411,009 last year, or an increase of 12.14 per cent.

Vancouver

A maximum price for first grade creamy butter solids of 34-1/2 cents is still in effect at Vancouver.

An average price of \$493 was paid for 74 head of pure-bred Holstein cattle of the C.P.R. Strathmore herd, at Markham, Ontario, on Monday.

Farmers killing livestock for use on their own or another farm will be exempt from rationing of livestock slaughtering which begins April 19th, as a preliminary step to meat rationing.

In spite of the fact that U.S. Lend-Lease shipments of meat last year equalled 19 pounds per capita, home consumption averaged 145 pounds—thirty pounds more than the average per capita consumption during the years 1935-1939 inclusive.

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WAR DIARY

April 1st.—Eighth Army skirmishes with Rommel's rearguard, reported entrenched 24 miles north of Gabes; U.S. bombers hit ships, aircraft, at Sardinian port. British air losses 189 in 12 major raids over continent during March; 60 Nazi planes shot down over Britain.

April 2nd.—First Army said near Matour; Berlin reports junction Rommel's, von Arnim's forces. R.A.F. makes daylight raid on Teire, Ehrang, railways in France and Belgium.

April 3rd.—Eisenhower says First Army continues to make "satisfactory progress". Russians report advances towards Velizh, Novorossisk, Staraya Russa, Taganrog; announce 850,000 Nazis killed in winter offensive. R.A.F. bombs submarine bases at Lorient, St. Nazaire.

April 4th.—U.S. forces and Eighth Army meet, east of El Guetar. Russians turn back Nazi counter-attacks south of Izum. R.A.F. makes heavy attack on Essen; U.S. bombers raid Renault works, near Paris. Allied bombers sink or damage 12 vessels in week-end raids on Jap shipping at Kavieng; U.S. submarines have sunk total of 143 Jap ships, announced. Eight heavy raids made on Kiska. Turkish spokesman says Allies will win war. Berlin says Daladier, Blum, Gamelin, now in German prisons.

April 5th.—R.A.F. makes heavy raid on Kiel; 12 bombers lost. U.S. heavy bombers raid Naples. Russians block Nazi attacks south of Kharkov.

April 6th.—Allied bombers down 48 planes (including 18 transports) over Tunisia or coastal waters, sink destroyer, hit ship in convoy, destroy planes on ground; 12 aircraft lost. Nazis boast of strong fortifications against invasion. Knox says Allied shipping losses in Atlantic greater in March.

April 7th.—Eighth Army drives Rommel from El Akarit, takes 6,000 prisoners; U.S. forces advancing from West; Allied planes shot down 27 planes, sank at least 17 ships in Mediterranean yesterday, is announced. U.S. continue bombing of Kiska. British submarines attack Italian cruiser, torpedo three other enemy vessels.

April 8th.—Eighth Army advances 15 miles from El Akarit, now 50 miles from Sfax; First Army also advances. Heavy shipping losses likely this summer, warns head of British shipping mission in New York. Russians make gains south of Izum, halt Nazi operations northwest of Kursk. Bolivia declares war against Axis. Eden tells House of Commons U.S. in agreement Britaia on "future policy towards France". Axis leaders confer at Brenner Pass, says Swiss reports.

April 9th.—Axis forces evacuate Mahares, Mezzouna, south of Sfax. Heavy R.A.F. force attacks Ruhr, loses 21 aircraft.

April 10th.—Eighth Army occupies Sfax. R.A.F. hammers Duisberg, other Ruhr objectives, loses 8 bombers. Nazi attack south of Balakleya fails.

April 11th.—Eighth Army passes through La Hencha, 25 miles north of Sfax, in pursuit Rommel's forces. Italian cruiser *Trieste* sunk by U.S. bombers on Saturday, reported; another cruiser damaged. Russians bomb Koenigsberg. R.A.F. raids south-western Germany; air attacks on Naples, Sardinia, Sicily, reported. Japs claim British brigade wiped out in Burma.

Veterinary Questions and Answers

Paid-up subscribers may submit veterinary questions.

Twins and Breeding

J.B., Ethel Lake.—I have a cow. She had twin calves, one bull calf and a heifer calf. Will twin heifer calves conceive when bred?

Ans.—Twins, when both are female, will breed, and twin bulls will breed also. A male twinned with a female will breed, but it is unusual that a heifer twinned with a bull will breed well, although it is said to occur when the twins are born in separate sacs. When a person is certain this has occurred, he may be justified in keeping the twin heifer in the hopes that she will later breed.

Preventing Growth of Horns

O.M., Fort Saskatchewan.—Could you please give me the formula for dehorning young calves so their horns will not grow as they get older. I would appreciate it very much.

Ans.—The growth of horns in young calves may be prevented by using caustic soda or potash. Best results are obtained by this method in very young calves when only small buttons are present. The hair should be clipped from around the base of the undeveloped horn or button and Vaseline applied to prevent the caustic coming in contact with the skin. The end of the caustic stick to be held in the hand should be wrapped in paper or cotton and the other end moistened slightly. This is then rubbed on the undeveloped horn.

Ergot Poisoning

J.O.B., Stettler.—Is there any treatment for Ergot poisoning in cattle?

Ans.—There is no satisfactory treatment for Ergot poisoning.

Warts

N.J.C., Three Hills.—Some of my cattle have warts on neck and head. What can I do to get rid of these warts?

Ans.—Warts may be removed with scissors, twisted off with fingers or ligatured by means of a rubber band or horsehair. The roots then cauterized with tincture of iron or lunar caustic.

Foot Rot

C.G.C., Nanton.—Several of my cattle have sores between the claws and go lame. The sores spread up to the fetlock. What can I do to cure them?

Ans.—In the early stages of the disease—before pus burrows beneath the horn, a thorough cleansing and an application of a carbolic solution 1 ounce to a pint of water, clean stabbing and laxative food will usually remedy this condition.

Allied planes bomb Jap base at Wewak, New Guinea, shoot down 23 enemy aircraft over Oro Bay. Loss of British destroyer *Harvester* last month, announced.

April 12th.—Eighth Army takes Sousse, First Army occupies Kairouan; 20,000 prisoners taken since March 20th. Admiralty announces 15 more Axis vessels sunk in Mediterranean.

April 13th.—Gains reported all fronts, Tunisia. Eighth Army breaks through Rommel's rearguard defences near Enfidaville; has driven over 150 miles in six days. Axis forces in Tunisia now confined to strip 100 miles by 40; believed to comprise about 210,000 men, 150,000 of them German. Allied airmen shoot down 37 of 100 Jap planes attempting raid Port Moresby; Japs have strong forces on islands north of Australia; make progress with Aleutian airfields, despite U.S. bombing. R.A.F. bombs Akyab, other Jap bases in Burma.

April 14th.—Eighth Army now close to Enfidaville; First Army, French forces, also advance. Axis airfields bombed. Enemy supply ship in Mediterranean sunk by Netherlands submarine. Japs bomb Milne Bay, Allied base on New Guinea. Russians turn back Nazi attacks Leningrad, Donets sectors. Berlin radio says British cruiser sunk.



Every Farmer Will Do His Part

Over 45% of Canadian farm production comes from the prairie provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta.

This fact is becoming more and more of vital importance because the problem of food is becoming more serious. In fact people are coming to realize the truth of the statement that "food will win the war".

The United Nations must have food for their armies and for their domestic population. Victory cannot be won unless the fighting men and the people at home have enough to eat.

The heavy responsibility rests on the shoulders of the farmers of the prairie provinces. Handicapped by diminished labor and inability to buy needed farm equipment, these farmers are now called upon to produce even more than they have ever done before.

Sufficiency of food won the last war for the Allied powers and an insufficiency of food lost the war for Germans. It is quite likely that history will repeat itself in the present conflict.

The farmers of the prairie provinces are not going to fail in their responsibility. They will do everything that is humanly possible to increase food production to the limit. Once the season starts, working hours on most farms will be limited only by the coming of night. As long as the sun shines farm families will be at labor.

It is to be hoped that when the war ends, the nation, the empire and the world will be somewhat more appreciative of the productive efforts during the war years of the farmers of Western Canada. The excess production which the urgency of the situation necessitates should not be used to beat down prices when peace again comes to the world.

Alberta Wheat Pool

Co-op. Credit Societies in Newfoundland

Distribution of almost a million dollars, in excess charges refunds to patron members, is being made by the Saskatchewan Wheat Pool.

Plans for construction of water conservation and irrigation projects in the Prairie Provinces, at an estimated aggregate cost of over \$111,000,000, have been laid before the House of Commons post-war reconstruction committee by George Spence, of the P.F.R.A. Eight projects could be begun immediately, he said, including the St. Mary and Milk River development in Alberta.

A black market in gasoline, which is believed to have sold illegally 750,000 gallons in Quebec, has been broken up by R.C.M.P.

The United Nations food conference will be held May 18th at Hot Springs, Va.

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States Government Yielded to Pressure in Assessing Pools

Would Be Simple Matter to Amend Income Tax Act, Says Douglas

Declaring that the Government had yielded to eastern newspapers which had been demanding that the Wheat Pools' income be taxed, Rev. T. C. Douglas, C.C.F. member of Parliament for Weyburn, has told the House of Commons that his party will seek a vote in the House on the ruling that the Pools are liable for income tax. He stated that the ruling, if made retroactive, would cost Western farmers \$5,000,000, and if it were contested, would put the farmers to the expense of fighting the case in court.

Could Amend Act

If the Government were sympathetic to the co-operatives, all it had to do, he said, was to amend the Income War Tax Act to see that it covered

the Wheat Pools as co-operatives. The Pools and the farmers had not objected to taxes, but patronage dividends were not profits in the ordinary sense of the word, but savings which came back to the people who owned and patronized the pool marketing and storage facilities.

Mr. Douglas was informed that the Government had considered the best method of getting the matter before the courts for a decision was to assess the Pools for taxation. Then, if an appeal were made, the Government was willing to provide that the costs of the appeal to the Pools would not be greater than would be occasioned to them by a reference to the courts by the Government itself.

DEFECTIVE STEEL CAUSED BREAK

Evidence given before governmental committees, in Washington, indicated that the break which sank a ship in the Kaiser shipyards, some week ago, did not occur at the welded seams, but between them; and that the U.S. Steel Corporation had supplied to the Government at least 28,000 tons of defective materials.

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By SYDNEY MAY

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INCOGNITA

(Puzzle, find the lady's name!)
I have won you lady fair,
Heigho, heigho!
You who once my peace could rob,
Now with mine your heartbeats
throb,
Heigho, you and I,
The knot shall tie! —Sine Odio.

Humpty Dumpty had a great Fall,
but it's a certainty the farmers didn't.

TODAY'S BRIGHT THOUGHT

It may be all right to go fast
asleep but it's better to be fast
awake.

Nunno, Algernon, it would not be correct to say that a girl is smart right to her finger tips just because she paints her nails.

It's just as well to remember in wartime that one of the hardest things to tame is a wild rumor.

Radiogram from Zaddeus K. Miffen of Claresholm states that he has come to the conclusion that all grass widows are not green, but that most of them know when to make hay.

Then there's the guy who was so dumb he thought the word overbear referred to the way a girl looked in a bathing suit.

Message from Cynical Gus states he's darn glad faint heart never won fair lady as the other night when he took Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, to a party, he passed out.

REVISED VERSION

My Bonnie leaned over the gas tank,
The height of the contents to see;
She lighted a match to assist her,
Oh, bring back my Bonnie to me.

And another of life's great mysteries is why a fellow who was light-headed the night before can't lift his bean from the pillow next morning.

ISN'T IT THE TRUTH

Many a man who takes a plunge in the stock market comes out all wet.

Miss Lotta Honkum, our own special expert on affairs of the heart, declares emphatically today that the honeymoon is over when instead of having mush for breakfast they start the morning with scraps.

HYMN OF HATE

We sing no praise for Tessie Tyne,
Though to be with her it bliss is.
She thanks us for our eats but gives
Some other guy her kisses.

Even when a woman turns down a proposal, she always admires the man's good judgment.

ALBERTA LIMERICKS

(Navarre)
Now young Nettie Slimm of Navarre,
She spent quite a time in a barre.
She drank too much beer,
And now the poor dear,
Simply cannot make out where she are.

We see where a magistrate sentenced two women to "kiss and make up". We hope he had the rouge and lipstick handy.

Strange as it may sound, it's the guy who hasn't a leg to stand on who usually does most of the kicking.

Times do change. Nowadays few people forget to lock the stable door until the car is stolen.

TO THE HIPPERS

Now that we're walking, definitely mended, we pause
To assess damage, losses, gains,
or what have you, because
Life's books should be balanced
at odd times, and we
With leisure and chatter and a
good cup of tea
Now begin. The legs I would say
are almost like new.
The mind—Ah, there's the rub!

But certainly, who
Would choose for a moment mind
over good legs?

Hollywood has taught us that
much and we're all good eggs.
The effort at humor is needed to
cloak serious thoughts and deep,
Outstanding among them, I know
we all keep

This all important—Human kindness—we discovered it most
In our helplessness. Now we
proclaim, yes really boast
Of the hands stretched to help us.

School children strangers to me
Had such prideful pleasure, as
they helped, I could see.
And the slippery place, safely passed,
my heart all aglow

An answer had come. Yes, for
all time, I've proved and I know
That God reigns in men's hearts,
not greed, as would seem.
"You can change human nature,"

if only the beam
Be not extinguished by our
horrible plight,
But nourished even by suffering.

In the darkness of night,
WE CAN SEE STARS!

—F. Walker, Calgary.

HOCK! HOCK!! HOCK!!!

A feature story in a New York paper describes the success of a woman pawnbroker. She must be one of those loan widows we hear so much about.

WELL! WELL!! WELL!!!

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All gals should remember, says Mary of Carbon, that marriage doesn't turn a good line into a leading string.

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